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AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Office Action dated May 10, 2002, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested. The applicants note the Office Action of May 10, 2002 states on page 1 that a response is due three months from the mail date of the Action.

IN THE CLAIMS

Amend the claims as follows.

79. (Amended) A system based on a computer for identifying a target sequence or a target structure motif derived from a coryneform bacterium, which is optionally a microorganism of the genus *Corynebacterium*, the genus *Brevibacterium*, or the genus *Microbacterium*, and the microorganism belonging to the genus *Corynebacterium* is optionally selected from the group consisting of *Corynebacterium glutamicum*, *Corynebacterium acetoacidophilum*, *Corynebacterium acetoglutamicum*,